

TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
Tuesday, September 9, 2014  
Council Chambers, Beck Municipal Building

**Minutes**

**Present:** J. Armstrong, P. Barry, J. Coite, M. Gilbert, M. Hart, S. Kegler, M. Kirk, A. Kuegler, E. Paterson, H. Rhynhart, N. Silander, W. Simpson

**Staff:** M. Capriola, L. Painter (*Town*); C. van Zelm (*MDP*)

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

**1. Meeting Minutes**

Armstrong made the motion, seconded by Paterson to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2014 meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Community-Campus Policing**

Rhynhart provided an update regarding UCONN Police Department activities. UCONN police officers are now enforcing Town ordinances. Hart stated that 101 citations have been written recently in regards to Town ordinance violations: 19 for Nuisance Ordinance violations; 25 open container violations; 46 possession of alcohol by a minor violations; and 11 dual open container/possession of alcohol by a minor violations. These citations have been issued by both Mansfield Resident Troopers and UCONN police officers.

**3. Updates:**

a. *Mansfield Downtown Partnership.* van Zelm reminded the group that the annual Festival on the Green will be held on 9/21 and that Wilbur Cross Way will be closed through 3/31. CVS is opening in Storrs Center in September and Bruger's Bagels will open in October. Parking garage operations are going well; the garage is busy and is making a profit.

b. *MCCP.* Armstrong provided an update. Off Campus Student Services staff and MCCP members have visited over 50 single family homes, 10 apartment complexes, reaching over 1,500 off-campus students. The Resident Trooper's Office makes referrals to the Off Campus Student Services Office every Monday morning. Contact is made with students for every referral. Depending on the nature of the issue(s) giving rise to the referral, outreach can vary from written communication to in-person educational visits to students being required to attend off-campus educational workshops.

c. *USG.* Kuegler provided an update. Clare Price is filling in as Acting USG President. USG is working to re-establish Guard Dogs (Safe Rides). USG will participate in the Festival on the Green by having a booth and providing volunteers to help staff the event.

d. *Four Corners Project*. Hart announced that the Town Council has scheduled a bond referendum vote for the Four Corners Sewer project for November 4<sup>th</sup>. If the project is approved, funding sources for the project were provided.

e. *Next Generation Impact Study*. Hart provided an update on the project's status. Reference checks are being conducted on potential firms. Once initiated, the study is anticipated to take approximately 90 days to complete.

### **3. Other Business**

Coite provided an update on the construction of North Hillside Road. Construction on extension of the road is expected to be complete in late 2015. The entrance to campus at the North Hillside Road and Route 44 intersection will have a traffic light and turning lanes; this work will begin in March 2015.

Coite announced the voluntary water conservation notice that was issued to the University's water customers. Beginning this week, the University will issue a mandatory water conservation notice to its water users and customers.

### **4. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Committee**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Maria E. Capriola, Assistant Town Manager  
Town of Mansfield